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Commissioner of Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

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Applicant:

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Entitled:

CHIMERIC PROTEINS FOR DIAGNOSIS

AND TREATMENT OF DIABETES

Our Ref:

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for appropriate action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

Transmittal Letter; [X]

[X] Response and Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 and Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR §1.136;

[X]Postcard evidencing the same

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct \$110 for extension fees from Deposit Account 08-0219. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to deduct any fees necessary to maintain the pendency of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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